

# LEVEL CROSSING REMOVAL UPDATE

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## Design planning underway for Aviation Road

The dangerous and congested level crossing at Aviation Road in Laverton will be the next to go in Melbourne's west and we're seeking your input on design solutions.

The level crossing at Aviation Road is used by 7,000 drivers every day and is a key access point for local traffic to cross the Werribee train line.

When down, the boom gates cause congestion, frustration and delays for local drivers, pedestrians and train commuters.

The Level Crossing Removal Authority has been busy investigating a number of ways to remove the Aviation Road level crossing.

Each level crossing has its own set of characteristics to consider when preparing to remove it. Environmental, technical and community considerations all contribute to the design options put forward.

Some of our key considerations in selecting a removal method are:

- Traffic volumes
- Disruption to train services and road users
- Surrounding residential land use and impact to retail areas
- Impacts to utilities and services
- Ground and environment conditions
- Land topography

#### Join the Conversation

We want to understand how designs will benefit or impact the local area. To do this, we want the community, as well as people travelling through the area to share with us what is important to them.

Join us in person or online to learn more about the options, view preliminary concept designs and share your thoughts.

#### **Community Drop In Sessions**

Where: Laverton Community Hub, 95-105 Railway Avenue, Laverton 3028

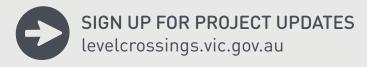
When: Sunday 26 November 2017, 3.30-6.30 pm in the function room

Wednesday 29 November 2017, 6-8.30pm in the multi-purpose rooms

#### **Online**

If you can't make it to the drop in sessions, you can head to your.levelcrossings.vic.gov.au/aviation to have your say from Monday 27 November. Feedback closes on Sunday 17 December 2017.

Your feedback will help us determine a preferred design that can then be developed in more detail.





### Progress to date

Contracts are now signed, with work recently beginning on the long awaited partial duplication of the Altona Loop and removal of the dangerous Kororoit Creek Road level crossing in Williamstown North.

As part of the contract, once successfully completing this work the constructors will then have the opportunity to remove a further five level crossings on the Dandenong, Werribee and Williamstown lines – Abbotts Road in Dandenong South, Aviation Road in Laverton, Cherry and Werribee Streets in Werribee, and Ferguson Street in Williamstown.

Strict performance measures must be met on the Altona Loop works in order to remove the additional crossings.

If successful, the crossing removals will then be delivered progressively to help industry build and maintain their skilled workforces.

Works are well underway at the Kororoit Creek Road level crossing site. Early work will also kick off at the Abbotts Road crossing in Dandenong South before Christmas, with Aviation Road the next to go in the western suburbs.

Date	Stage
2017	Kororoit Creek Road, Williamstown North – construction commenced
Late 2017	Abbotts Road, Dandenong South – commence early works
	Aviation Road, Laverton – present initial designs and begin community consultation
Early- Mid 2018	Aviation Road, Laverton – announce preferred design with further community consultation
Late 2018	Kororoit Creek Road, Williamstown North – level crossing removed
	Aviation Road, Laverton – expected start date for early works
2019	Abbots Road, Dandenong South – level crossing removed
2020	Aviation Road, Laverton – level crossing removed
2022	Cherry Street, Werribee – level crossing removed
	Werribee Street, Werribee – level crossing removed
	Ferguson Street, Williamstown North – level crossing removed

### Kororoit Creek Road update

In other news for the west, the Kororoit Creek Road level crossing removal project is now well underway.

The Altona Loop was closed during weekends in early September and early November, allowing construction crews to begin preparing the construction site.

The team laid cabling under Kororoit Creek Road and installed a number of safe crossings over the train tracks for construction vehicles.

Reduced speed limits and a temporary pedestrian crossing near the construction area are now in place.



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